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SANTO DOMINGO RADIO COMERCIAL IN SPANISH 1038 GMT 30 NOVEMBER 1965--C

(EXCERPT) PRESIDENT HECTOR GARCIA GODOY TOLD THE PRESS

YESTERDAY THAT A WELL KNOWN GROUP OF PERSONS ARE CONSPIRING AGAINST

HIS GOVERNMENT. THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT ACCORDING TO INSISTENT

RUMORS, EXTREME RIGHTIST ELEMENTS ARE PREPARING ANOTHER COUP D'ETAT.

RUMORS OF THE PAST WEEKEND WERE THAT THE RIGHTISTS WERE PLANNING TO

KIDNAP THE PRESIDENT TO KILL HIM.

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DOMINICAN STATIONS BEHAVIOR--SINCE THE OPENING OF THE RIO DE

JANEIRO CONFERENCE ALL DOMINICAN STATIONS HEARD BY THE CARIBBEAN

STATIONS HAVE GIVEN UNUSUAL EMPHASIS TO THIS EVENT, PERHAPS RIGHTLY SO

AS THE CONFERENCE IS CONSIDERED THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENT TAKING PLACE

AT THIS TIME AS FAR AS LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS ARE CONCERNED.

HOWEVER, A SLANTING OF NEWS TO REFLECT ALL MOVES BY LATIN AMERICAN

DELEGATIONS TO CONDEMN U.S. RPT U.S. INTERVENTION IN THE DOMINICAN

REPUBLIC AND THE EFFORTS BY THE U.S. DELEGATION TO CREATE A PERMANENT

INTER-AMERICAN PEACE FORCE WAS NOTED. EARLY IN THE CONFERENCE RADIO

SANTO DOMINGO REPORTED THE OPPOSITION OF THE DOMINICAN GOVERNMENT

TO THE CREATION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN PEACE FORCE AND THE OBJECTIVES

OF THE DOMINICAN GOVERNMENT AT THE CONFERENCE. IN A SURPRISING MOVE

ON 18 EIGHTEEN NOVEMBER THIS STATION ANNOUNCED THE PLANNED DEPARTURE

OF A CONSTITUTIONALIST GOVERNMENT DELEGATION FOR RIO DE JANEIRO TO

"DEMAND THE RECOVERY OF DOMINICAN SOVEREIGNTY AND THE WITHDRAWAL

OF THE INTER-AMERICAN PEACE FORCE FROM THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC."

ON 26 TWENTYSIX NOVEMBER THE COLOMBIAN DRAFT RESOLUTION, REAFFIRMING

THE PRINCIPLE OF NONINTERVENTION, WAS GIVEN WIDE COVERAGE. RADIO

COMERCIAL BROADCAST A STATEMENT OF THE DOMINICAN OFFICIAL DELEGATION

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THIS RESOLUTION. THE MOVE OF MEXICO AND CHILE,

NATIONS WHICH, ACCORDING TO RADIO COMERCIAL, "HAD VOICED THE GREATEST

CRITICISM AGAINST THE UNITED STATES DURING THE LANDINGS IN THE DOMINICAN

REPUBLIC," WAS STRESSED. EXCEPT FOR RADIO SANTO DOMINGO, ALL

DOMINICAN STATIONS WERE OBSERVED BROADCASTING NEWS IN THIS

CONNECTION IN A NORMAL MANNER. HOWEVER, RADIO SANTO DOMINGO ANNOUNCERS

WERE HEARD USING A CERTAIN TONE OF VOICE WHICH REFLECTED THEIR DISLIKE

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U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE DEAN RUSK'S STATEMENT "THAT IF THE COLLECTIVE
DEFENSE SYSTEM IS NOT CREATED THE NATIONS OF THE HEMISPHERE WILL HAVE
TO FACE UP TO THE POSSIBILITY OF THE UNITED STATES CONTINUING WITH
ITS POLICY OF UNILATERAL INTERVENTION." AT THE END OF THIS QUOTE,
THE ANNOUNCER UTTERED A SCORNFUL EXCLAMATION.

THE BEHAVIOR OF RADIO PUEBLO WHICH APPEARS TO HAVE CHANGED

MARKEDLY WILL BE REPORTED SHORTLY. [REDACTED]

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TEACHERS COMPLAINT--THE TEACHERS NATIONAL FEDERATION HAS PROMPTED THE
PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT TO EXPLAIN WITH CLEARNESS IF THERE ARE ANY
CURRENT SERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES TO JUSTIFY THE PROHIBITION OF ALL NATURE
OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES IN GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND AUTONOMOUS INSTITUTES
OF THE NATION. (SANTO DOMINGO RADIO UNIVERSAL SPANISH 1130 GMT 30

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(EXCERPT) FORMER DOMINICAN REVOLUTIONARY PARTY (PRD) PRESIDENT

ANGEL MIOLAN WILL NOT CONDUCT DIVISIONIST ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE

PARTY RANKS EVEN THOUGH HE WAS TRIED BY THE PARTY. DURING AN INTERVIEW

GRANTED TO RADIO SANTO DOMINGO TELEVISION, THE POLITICIAN ASKED THE

THAT THE PARTY MAY FULFILL ITS HISTORIC ROLE IN CONNECTION WITH
NATIONAL PROBLEMS. HE POINTED OUT THAT TO THIS END HE PLANS TO

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CARRY OUT A WORKING PLAN AIMED NOT ONLY AT STRENGTHENING UNITY BUT
ALSO AT PUTTING THE PARTY IN GOOD SHAPE TO PARTICIPATE AND WIN THE
ELECTIONS IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF FREEDOM AND GUARANTEES. HOWEVER, THE
POLITICIAN GAVE NO DETAILS ABOUT THE PLAN AND HE DID NOT SPECIFY
HOW HE INTENDS TO CARRY IT OUT.

MIGLAN REFUSED TO SAY IF FREE ELECTIONS COULD BE HELD WITH THE
PRESENCE OF FOREIGN TROOPS IN THE COUNTRY. HE SAID, I AM NO
FORTUNETELLER AND WILL NOT ATTEMPT TO SAY WHAT WILL HAPPEN IN THE
FUTURE. I BELIEVE THAT MY PARTY AND ALL DOMINICAN PARTIES CAN
EXAMINE THE SERIOUS SITUATION PREVAILING IN OUR HOMELAND DUE TO
FOREIGN OCCUPATION AND THE OTHER PROBLEMS FACING US WHILE SEEKING A
SOLUTION WHICH IS REALISTIC AND YET DOES NOT INJURE NATIONAL DIGNITY.
MIGLAN EMPHASIZED THAT DIALOGUE AND THE CONFERENCE TABLE COULD
PRODUCE SOLUTIONS WHICH SERVE THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE DOMINICAN
PEOPLE. THE DIFFERENCES EXISTING BETWEEN FORMER PRESIDENT JUAN BOSCH

AND ANGEL MIGLAN STEM FROM THE DIFFERENCE OF VIEWS REGARDING THE
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MEANING OF A "RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONALITY." SAID MIOLAN TO RADIO

SANTO DOMINGO TELEVISION. MIOLAN POINTED OUT THAT WHILE HE IS FIGHTING

FOR A RETURN TO CONSTITUTIONALITY THROUGH ELECTIONS, PROFESSOR JUAN

BOSCH SEEKS THE SAME GOAL BUT WITHOUT ELECTIONS. THE RETURN TO

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CONSTITUTIONALITY WITHOUT ELECTIONS BANNER WAS RAISED DURING THE FIRST

STATE OF THE APRIL REVOLUTION, ADDED MIOLAN. WHEN ASKED IF HE THOUGHT

THAT BOSCH CONTINUED TO HOLD THE SAME VIEW AFTER HE SAW THE WAY

EVENTS WERE GOING, MIOLAN ANSWERED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW IF THE PRD

LEADER HAD CHANGED HIS VIEWS.

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COURTS RECEIVE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ON PLOT

✓ Santo Domingo Radio Comercial in Spanish 1030 GMT 1 December 1965--C

(Excerpt) The attorney general of the republic stated yesterday that the courts have received the denunciation made by the President of the Republic about the existence of a terrorist plan. He pointed out that he has been informed by District Attorney Daniel Octavio (?Anicovais) that a person has been arrested in Santiago de los Caballeros as a result of the investigations underway.

The attorney general said that the name of the arrested person could not be released in order not to obstruct the investigations. He added that the investigations are also aimed at determining if the actions reported by the provisional president are linked to the unsuccessful Santiago de los Caballeros insurrectional movement. He pointed out that the sentence prescribed by the Supreme Court of Justice on 26 November also applies to other persons who might be arrested if their connection with the Santiago events is verified.

District Attorney's Statement

✓ Santo Domingo Radio Mil in Spanish 1130 GMT 30 November 1965--C

(Recorded statements by Barahona District Attorney Dr. Luis (Herminio--phonetic) Padilla on recent uprising)

(Excerpts) After the plot was discovered in Santiago and after its heads were arrested, we received orders from our superiors to arrest persons presumably implicated in the coup d'etat. According to the law, we arrested several persons who presumably were implicated in the plot. The prisoners were turned over to the Barahona District examining court. According to reports, the order to release the prisoners came from that court.

It has been said that there was no military pressure behind the freeing of the prisoners. I may say, however, that on that day, an unusually large group of military men were seen in the Palace of Justice. I can affirm that several Dominican air force officers, including the commanding officer of the (name indistinct) air base, visited my office. I cannot explain the reason for their visit due to circumstances which you may readily understand.

Further Details

✓ Santo Domingo Radio Comercial in Spanish 1700 GMT 30 November 1965--C

(Excerpt) A judicial source reported that the persons arrested in connection with the Santiago de los Caballeros unsuccessful subversive plot were transferred this morning to La Victoria national penitentiary. This group, which includes approximately 47 persons, had been jailed at the National Police Headquarters since they were arrested. These persons will be tried by a national district trial court and charged with criminal actions against state internal security.

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✓ ANGEL MIOLAN INTERVIEWED ON HIS DISMISSAL

Santo Domingo Radio Comercial in Spanish 1735 GMT 29 November 1965--C

(Recorded interview of PRD leader Angel Miolan)

(Summary) Announcer: Mr. Miolan. May we get to the point immediately? What do you have to say about the trial and the verdict handed down against you by your party?

Miolan: The verdict is unfair. The board did not follow normal procedures established by the party disciplinary regulations. First, I did not receive a summons to the trial. Secondly, the board offered no provisions for a defense. Had I attended the trial, regardless of what I might have said I would have been condemned. I would have been expelled from the party without doubt because those were the instructions given to the board. I must say--although it hurts me very much--that Prof. Juan Bosch, who ordered my expulsion, is the only person who must be blamed for this.

Announcer: Do you attribute so much power to Professor Bosch within PRD that he could decree your expulsion without consulting the board?

Miolan--While I may be the only one frank enough to say so, many others, including members of the jury, are aware that Bosch exercises complete control over all the leaders of the party at this time.

Announcer: Do you intend to appeal the case?

Miolan: I do not know what I may do. I have not had time to study the matter properly. If I had the slightest hope of appearing before a board where I would be free to defend myself, I would not hesitate to appeal. I do not fear to face the truth where justice prevails. I think all political leaders should be ready to appear when called to defend themselves. However, I do not think a political leader should accept any verdict which has been reached beforehand.

Announcer: What is your opinion of those who testified against you? Do they hold different political ideas than you do?

Miolan: I do not know. I have always been their friend. I do not know what they may have against me. I have nothing against them.

Announcer: What do you have to say regarding the charges against you?

Miolan: I hate to remember the past when innocent persons were burdened with false charges, without a possibility to defend themselves. This happened during the Trujillo regime. Unfortunately, at this moment my party is doing the same thing. I know that many of the jury members do not agree with things as they are, but they must obey orders from above. The people must know that the PRD is facing a dramatic and difficult internal situation at this time.

Announcer: Mr. Miolan, the majority of the PRD members are waiting to hear the last word regarding your separation from the party which you founded. What would be your attitude if you were ousted?

Miolan: I want to tell all the members of my party that all the charges lodged against me are false. Those who have lived and risked their lives with me know that I would never squeal on anyone, that I would never go against the interests of the people and that I would never approve the intervention of foreign troops in our country.

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They also know that I have risked my life for the party and the country and that I am willing to continue risking it. I am not going to be provoked. I feel sorry for the party, not for myself. I will continue to be a friend of my friends and to feel sorry for my enemies. I will continue to defend the PRD regardless of what may happen. The PRD is my home and no one can expel me from my own home.

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✓ PRESS CONFERENCE--U.N. officials in the Dominican Republic on 30 November will hold a press conference to report the activities conducted by this organization in the country. During the conference, (Vela Badillo--phonetic), assistant director of the U.N. branch in Santo Domingo, will be interviewed as well as other members of the U.N. office staff. (Santo Domingo Domestic Spanish 1030 GMT 30 November 1965--C)

✓ ATTACK ON NEWSMAN--A newspaperman said on 29 November that he had been beaten by three persons at the corner of Padre Billini and Diecinueve de Marzo streets. Luis Langa Mota said his attackers charged him with not having sided with the revolution and with cooperating with the newspaper LA HOJA. (Santo Domingo Radio Comercial Spanish 1030 GMT 30 November 1965--C)

✓ INCREASE OF SYPHILIS--According to statistics, 12,699 cases of syphilis were reported in 1964, an increase of 2,760 cases over the previous year. The largest number of cases were reported in Santiago; the second largest was reported in Santo Domingo. (Santo Domingo Radio Comercial Spanish 1030 GMT 30 November 1965--C)

✓ RIGHTISTS' STATEMENT--A small group of rightists demonstrated in front of the National Palace on 29 November to demand freedom for those arrested in connection with the Santiago uprising. A representative group entered the Government Palace, but failed to see the President. The group reportedly said: "We thought he would see the President, but we were told to see one of his assistants. Of course, if we were communists he would have received us immediately." (Santo Domingo Radio Comercial Spanish 1130 GMT 30 November 1965--C)

✓ DISTRIBUTION OF PAMPHLETS--The Interior and Police Ministry and the Dominican Pro-Human Rights Association on 10 December will distribute 50,000 pamphlets containing the declaration of universal human rights to Dominican school children. The distribution of the pamphlets is part of the program for the celebration of Human Rights Week slated for 5 December through 12 December. (Santo Domingo Radio Universal Spanish 1130 GMT 30 November 1965--C)

✓ THERMOELECTRIC POWER PLANT--The Dominican Electric Corporation has announced that it has received assurance that the export and import bank will grant the corporation a loan of more than 8 million dollars to finance the construction of a thermoelectric power plant in Haina. The plant will have a production capacity of 53,000 kilowatts, and it will be installed within the next 20 months. It has been disclosed that the only requirement pending is the approval of the Finance Ministry guaranteeing the operation in the name of the Dominican Republic. (Santo Domingo Radio Universal Spanish 1130 GMT 30 November 1965--C)

✓ HOUSE RENTAL REDUCTION--A new law issued on 27 November by the provisional government reducing 20 percent on all current rents has been termed just and proper by tenants occupying rented homes. However, coming from the reaction of several landlords, the law has taken them by surprise due to the fact that they had refused on several occasions to discuss this action with the authorities. (Santo Domingo Radio Universal Spanish 1130 GMT 30 November 1965--C)

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(TEXT) REPORTS FROM LA ROMANA DISCLOSE THAT INTER-AMERICAN
PEACE FORCE TROOPS ENTERED THE TOWN YESTERDAY AT 1000 HOURS. THE TROOPS
WERE TRANSPORTED BY PLANES AND VEHICLES AND IT WAS REPORTED THAT
THEY CAME HERE TO CONDUCT A TWO-DAY TRAINING EXERCISE. A GROUP OF
SOLDIERS ARRIVED IN JEEPS AND MILITARY VEHICLES, SOME OF WHICH
WERE EQUIPPED WITH ARTILLERY PIECES. AN ENGINEER FORCE DISEMBARKED
FROM UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TRANSPORT NUMBER 742. THIS GROUP TOOK

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POSITIONS IN THE WOODS NEAR THE CENTRAL ROMANA CORPORATION LANDING
STRIP. IT WAS LEARNED THAT THEY WILL SET UP THEIR CAMP THERE. IAPP
OFFICERS, WHO APPARENTLY COMMAND THESE FORCES, ARRIVED IN A HELICOPTER.
IN A COMMUNIQUE BROADCAST BY LOCAL RADIO STATIONS THE CITIZENS WERE
TOLD TO REMAIN CALM IF THEY HEAR DETONATIONS WHICH ARE PART OF THE
TRAINING EXERCISE. THE COMMUNIQUE WAS SIGNED BY COLONEL FELIX HERNANDEZ

GONZALEZ, THE NATIONAL POLICE DETACHMENT F RPT F COMMANDER. 011030

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(TEXT) THE DEADLINE FOR THE VOLUNTARY SALE OF ILLEGALLY-HELD WEAPONS

HAS BEEN EXTENDED BY 10 DAYS. SEVERAL PRESS SPOKESMEN SUGGESTED

THE EXTENSION AND THE INTERIOR AND POLICE MINISTRY ACCEPTED IT.

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